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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

D'ANNUNZIO'S DEFIANCE.

Collision with Italian Forces.

Rome, December 27.
D'Annunzio's defiance of the Italian Government has resulted in an outbreak of hostilities involving considerable casualties. The Government's proclamation of a blockade was answered on the 22nd inst. by a note from D'Annunzio's foreign secretary declaring a state of war. Simultaneously D'Annunzio's legionaries disembarked in the vicinity of Zara, where a carabinieri was killed and several were wounded in the course of a skirmish. Thereupon a general advance of the Italian regulars was ordered. They crossed the frontiers of the Quarnero R. on the 23rd inst. in the hope that the legionaries, who retreated inside the city, would come to their senses, but artillery and machine-gun fire was directed upon them, thirty casualties resulting.

Thereupon the regulars, on the morning of the 26th inst., occupied the outskirts of Fiume, accomplishing, in the words of the official communiqué, "painful duty with loyalty and discipline." Meanwhile the attempts of D'Annunzio to debauch the Fleet failed. A party boarded the cruiser Marsala at Zara, but instead of being received with open arms, were captured and handed over to the authorities at Ancona. Part of the population of Fiume rose against D'Annunzio, but were suppressed with bloodshed.

Aeroplane dropped leaflets over Fiume on the 27th inst. urging a cessation of the fratricidal strife. A telegram from Zara states that the legionaries at San Marco are maintaining a constant machine-gun and rifle fire upon the Slav coastal population.

Fiume Outposts Occupied.

Rome, December 27.
A message from Trieste states that in consequence of the threatening attitude of the leaders at Fiume General Cavaglia on the 22nd inst. ordered the occupation of the advanced posts around the port, which was carried out on the 25th inst. after fighting in which the Italian forces lost 5 killed and 30 wounded.

FRANCE AND THE L.O.N.

A Favourable Report.

London, December 25.
Before the Parliamentary Committee on Foreign Affairs, the former Premier, M. Viviani, gave an account of his mission to the Assembly of the League of Nations, laying stress on the striking tribute of respect and admiration paid France by the other nations throughout the conference and the prominent part played by M. Leon Bourgeois, the head of the French delegation, whose learning and prudence were recognized and honoured by all. M. Viviani stated that France had everybody's support respecting her claims for compensation from Germany, the attitude of England, Spain, and the South American Republics being especially friendly. M. Viviani expressed the opinion that an entente of the three great democracies, Britain, France and the United States, is essential to peace, winding up by stating that he will do his utmost towards that end.—*Vale*.

FRENCH TRADE CRISIS.

A Minister's Efforts.

Paris, December 25.
Mr. Jourdain, the Minister of Labour, is actively engaged in looking for practical means of settling, at least alleviating, the present trade crisis. M. Jourdain yesterday personally attended a meeting he had arranged between representatives of the building trade and allied industries, every representative having opportunity of discussing views with the Ministry and of making suggestions. The representatives expressed the opinion that coal prices were still the chief cause of the present abnormal prices of building material, such as lime, cement and bricks, yet upon the Minister's request they agreed to lowering at once prices as much as possible. The representatives also laid stress upon the scarcity of skilled labour and asked the Minister to open special shops for the training of foremen, where discharged soldiers will be admitted by preference.

REPATRIATED FROM RUSSIA.

Forty British Refugees.

Helsingfors, December 27.
Forty British refugees from Russia have arrived at Hangö, en route to Hull. They include Professor Sharpe Wilson of Petrograd University who should have accompanied the first British contingent last March, but who was arrested a few days before the day of his departure and sentenced to a year's hard labour on a charge connected with two "spies," Victor Buckley and Paul Dukes. The former died in a Bolshevik prison in February and the latter went to England two years ago. Wilson is now released but another Englishman named Sykes was arrested last year and condemned to be shot, but the sentence was commuted. It is hoped that he will soon be repatriated.

BOESHEVIK AMBASSADOR.

Ordered to Cancel Contracts in America.

Copenhagen, December 25.
It is learned from Moscow that M. Tchitcherine has cabled M. Martens, the Bolshevik Ambassador in Washington who has been ordered to be deported, acknowledging the intimation of expulsion and ordering him to cancel all contracts with American firms.

SIAMESE PRINCE HONOURED.

Paris, December 25.
The Union of Iron, Steel and Mining Industries, gave a luncheon in honour of the Siamese Prince Purachatra. The French Minister of Public Works was present.—*Vale*.

A BERLIN CONFERENCE.

Senator McCormick, representing President Woodrow Wilson, has arrived and conferred with President Ebert and Herr Simon.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

ANOTHER AFFRAY IN IRELAND.

Numerous Arrests at Limerick.

London, December 27.
A dance in which armed civilians were participating was surprised at Bruff, Limerick, within the martial-law area, this morning. The approaching forces were fired on by the dancers and a policeman was killed. The fire was returned, five dancers being killed. The civilian sentries at the dancing-hall were overpowered and 133 persons were arrested and taken to Limerick. Christmas generally was quiet in Dublin. The activity of the police and military was confined on Christmas Eve to clearing the streets of roysters who ignored the curfew order. There was considerable shooting in the streets and several were slightly wounded, including a soldier. The most serious incident was another attempt to burn the offices of the *Freeman's Journal* by three men in a motor-car, who sprinkled the premises with petrol. The flames were extinguished by the Fire Brigade with the greatest promptitude.

"Cork Examiner" Machinery Destroyed.

London, December 27.
Thirty armed masked men entered the offices of the *Cork Examiner* on Christmas Eve. Then smashed the machinery and wrecked parts of the buildings with explosives. The Kibernian Bank, Drogheda, was burgled. £36,000 being stolen.

(Other Early and Special Telegrams on Pages 2, 3, 4 and 5.)

CHRISTMAS IN HONGKONG.

How it Was Spent.

The Christmas holiday has come and gone, and there must have been very few indeed in Hongkong who did not find opportunity for enjoyment. Fortunately, the weather has been treating us very kindly, and the three days have been marked by ideal conditions for indoor and outdoor festivities. After a holiday one does not want to read a great deal about it, and so we are going to content ourselves with a brief resume of the many things done.

To begin with Christmas Eve, a large party of happy children had a great time at the Peak Hotel when they were the guests of Father Christmas. Some of them didn't believe it was the "real" Father Xmas, although he had a most convincing look. In the evening there was the usual dance at the Kingsclere Hotel and at Repulse Bay Hotel the diners kept things going quite merrily.

On Christmas Day there were the customary special church services which were extremely well attended. At St. John's Cathedral the Bishop of Victoria preached, and special carols were sung.

At the Club de Recreio, Kowloon, Christmas Day was marked by a Christmas Tree and Pete at which large numbers of the Portuguese community and friends spent a happy time. Dancing took place to music supplied by the Wiltshire Band. The children of Taikoo were also treated to a tree and presents therefrom. The main public event of Christmas Night was the dinner and dance at the Hongkong Hotel, when nearly 600 visitors and guests sat down to dinner. Dancing was kept up until just after midnight.

On Boxing Day, His Excellency the Governor and Lady Stubbs gave a children's party at Government House. The day was marked by many outdoor engagements, in which the special football match at Happy Valley figured prominently. The feature of the evening was the dinner and dance at the Repulse Bay Hotel, which proved to be one of the most enjoyable functions of the holiday.

In the matter of amusements over the whole holiday the public was extremely well catered for. At the Coronet and Hongkong cinemas, special holiday programmes were given and at all the performances large patronage was given. The Bandman Comedy Company at the Theatre Royal, and Bostock's circus at the Ming Yuen Gardens were also well patronised.

The golfing fraternity indulged in several competitions at Fanling and the attendance on the links yesterday was one of the largest ever seen. The result of the competitions was as follows:—
Mixed Foursomes.—Mrs. Moran and Mrs. W. J. Dyke.
Ladies' Bogey.—Miss Healing, 2 up.

Meat's Medal.—Mr. R.P. Shaw, 77 nett.
Approaching and Putting.—Mr. A. B. Stewart, 8.
Clock Golf.—Mr. H. Hancock, 23.
Men's Drives.—Mr. J. L. Crockett, average 238.
Ladies' Drives.—Miss Healing, average 167.

The results of the cricket and football matches appear elsewhere in this issue.

AT THE CIVIL SERVICE CLUB.
Boxing Day is always marked at the Civil Service Club by an entertainment to the children of members and yesterday's event proved to be a most successful one. Presents were distributed from a large Christmas Tree, tea was served and various amusements helped to make the time pass happily. The band of the Wiltshire Regiment attended. During the afternoon the cups won by members of the Club during the past year were presented by Mrs. Chatham, the list of awards being:—

BOWLS, 1920.
Blake Cup.—Winner, Mr. Lambie.
Championship.—Winner, Mr. McCowin; runner-up, Mr. J. J. Blake.
Seashu Cup.—Winner, Mr. F. Bacon; runner-up, Mr. A. E. Seacombe.
Wing On Cup.—Winner, Mr. C. E. Pathyjohns; runner-up, Mr. Finch.
Wing Nam Cup.—Winner, Mr. J. Foulds; runner-up, Mr. Pathyjohns.
Scratch.—Winners, Mr. J. Foulds and Mr. Pathyjohns.
Tennis Championship.—Mr. Bradbury. (Other tennis awards not yet decided).

Opportunity was taken to express the Club's thanks to the Hon. Mr. W. and Mrs. Chatham, who are shortly leaving the Colony for residence at Home. Speeches were delivered by Mr. C. Sara and Mr. J. R. Wood and Mrs. Chatham was presented with a bouquet in a silver vase, whilst a silver rose bowl was presented to Mr. Chatham. This was inscribed:—
To W. Chatham, Esq., C.M.G., From the Hongkong Civil Service Cricket Club.

As a small memento of his services, President, 1903-1920, Mr. Chatham made reply, and cheers brought a very happy afternoon to a close.

Major General Ventris shook hands with each of the recipients and said a few words of congratulation. Addressing those on parade, he said that he always took a great interest in the Wiltshire Regiment, because when he was mobilised he was sent to one of the most beautiful spots in Wiltshire, namely Warminster. He hoped that the remainder of the stay of the Wiltshire Battalion in Hongkong would be pleasant, and that when they went to India they would get a good station. The battalion was well trained and well disciplined. He would also like to thank the Artillery, at least their predecessors, for the good work they had done in maintaining the safety of the harbour.

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FAREWELL MILITARY PARADE.

General Ventris Presents Medals.

A farewell parade was held this morning on the Murray Parade Ground to say good-bye to H. E. Major-General F. Ventris, C.B. The occasion was also utilised for the General to present decorations to officers and men of the 2nd Battalion Wiltshire Regiment, the Royal Engineers and others.

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CHRISTMAS TRAGEDY.

EUROPEAN POLICE OFFICER SHOT.

Killed by Robbers at Yaumati.

Fellow-Officer Wounded.

The Christmas season has been marred by a tragedy, illustrating the dangers which the Police of this Colony run in the execution of their duties, as a result of which a European officer of the Force lost his life through being shot by robbers, whilst a fellow-officer sustained a wound which necessitated his removal to hospital. The tragedy occurred last night at Yaumati, the murdered officer being Lance Sergeant Gardiner and the wounded officer Lance Sergeant McWalter.

The details of the affair are, at the moment of writing, a little vague, but it would appear that it originated in an effort to secure the capture of a gang of robbers known to be operating in Yaumati. Information had been received by the Police that a band of robbers were contemplating a raid on a shop situate at 315, Reclamation Street, and Inspectors Caygill and Ogg, together with Lance Sergeants Ellis, McWalter, and Gardiner, and a number of Chinese detectives from the Yaumati Station, proceeded thither at about 9.30 p.m. The officers were stationed in various places of concealment, the plan being to cut off the retreat of the robbers should they enter the shop. The Police had a quarter of an hour to wait before the gang made their appearance, and it was the firing of a shot inside the house which made known to the officers the presence of the robbers in the shop. It was then perceived that the robbers had gone past the Police and had entered the house, where they were encountered by Sergeant Gardiner and McWalter. The exchange of shots which followed must have been commenced at sight, for when, in response to a signal blown on a whistle, Inspector Caygill led the way into the shop, it was discovered that Sergeant Gardiner was lying in an unconscious condition on the floor, with a fatal bullet wound in the abdomen. Sergeant McWalter also received a bullet, in the left arm, but it was fortunately only a flesh wound.

Sergeant Gardiner was removed on to a Chinese bed in the shop, but it was found that he was beyond medical aid. His condition was one of complete unconsciousness until the end, which occurred a quarter of an hour after he received the fatal wound. His remains were afterwards removed to the Kowloon Mortuary.

A regular fusillade was exchanged after the first shot between the Police and the robbers, whose number was uncertain, but who, from the number of shots fired, must have been well-armed. In the endeavour to break away from the cordon of Police which surrounded the building, one of the gang was known to be wounded. The darkness made the work of the Police extremely difficult, whilst the risk thus engendered of the Police suffering from their own fire, was correspondingly increased. Under these circumstances, it was not surprising that, being as well-armed as they were, the robbers should effect their escape. One man, however, was, through the pluck of a Chinese District Watchman, run down in Shanghai Street and captured. He apparently had thrown away his revolver during the pursuit, for no offensive weapon was found on him when subsequently searched.

An eye-witness of the affair states that two robbers made their way into the house, and just as one of them was lighting a torch, Sergeant Gardiner, who was in concealment behind a door, pounced on him. A struggle

ensued, during the course of which the robber drew his revolver and shot the unfortunate officer in the abdomen. Sgt. McWalter, who was stationed in the backyard, was shot by the other fellow, and wounded in the upper part of the left arm. This man escaped, together with several others, who, suspicious of a trap being set for them, had taken the precaution to keep a watch outside the house.

The Assistant Superintendent of Police, (Mr. T. H. King) soon afterwards went over in response to a message from the Yaumati Station and headed the investigations that were subsequently made into the endeavour to rope in the gang after their escape from Reclamation Street. These were conducted with vigour, but did not result in any further capture.

The captured robber will be brought up before the Magistrate after the main facts of the evening's tragedy have been sifted out. The late Sergeant R.O. Gardiner joined the Police Force from the Manchester Regiment when the latter left the Colony. He is married. With his brother, who is in Shanghai, and his relatives much sympathy will be felt. The remains of the deceased will be taken over to this side of the harbour this afternoon, and the funeral, which will be marked with special honours, and attended by the whole available men of the force, takes place this evening at 5.30 p.m.

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LOCAL WEDDING.

Mr. Peter Wong—Miss Jen Hawk.

Of great interest to the Chinese community was the wedding which took place at St. John's Cathedral yesterday of Miss Macy Jen Hawk, eldest daughter of Dr. Jen Hawk, a well-known Chinese medical practitioner, and Mr. Peter Wong, Chief Clerk of the A. S. Watson and Company, Aerated Water Department, son of the late Mr. Wong Tung Lum and of Mrs. Wong, and a nephew to the Comptroller of Messrs. Watson's.

There was a large attendance at the Cathedral, including a number of the better-known members of the Chinese community. The bride, who was given away by her father, was dressed in a white chrysanthemum creation made at Madame Flint's this being trimmed with point de malines and pearls, and a tulle veil hand-embroidered with chrysanthemums and the usual orange blossoms. She was attended by Miss Ruth Louis Hugh as bridesmaid, and by Miss Lina Geraldine Law, Seattle, Washington U.S.A., who acted as flower girl. The groom was supported by Mr. Leo Hon Chee, a local solicitor, as "best man."

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Y. H. Copley Moyle, and at its conclusion photographs were taken of the bride and groom. The wedding dinner was held at West Point in the evening. The honeymoon is being spent at Canton, the bride going away dressed in pink crepe satin, trimmed with georgette.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 3s. 1 15/16d.

THE WEATHER.

2 p.m. Barometer:—30.07. Temperature:—70. Humidity:—83.

LIGHTING-UP TIME.

Lighting-up time to-day is 5.48 p.m.

KOREAN AUTONOMY.

According to report, a Korean Government has been organized in Blagoye. This Government is on good terms with the Russian Amur Government.

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EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

COUNCIL REFORM.

Singapore, Dec. 21.
A ballot on the subject of Council Reform organized by the Straits Association was a failure. Of the five thousand forms prepared only 188 were returned.

RUBBER AUCTIONS.

Singapore, Dec. 21.
The rubber auctions disposed of 412 tons. The prices were lower, sheet being 20½ to 30 cents a pound and crepe 80½ cents. London advises a heavy break in prices.

PRISONERS ESCAPE.

Singapore, Dec. 21.
Six prisoners escaped from the Central Police Station through the air shaft. Four of the men were charged with recent robberies.

BOULON FREE.

Shanghai, Dec. 21.
The Boulton trial has ended. Boulton being acquitted.

CRICKET.

Holiday Matches.

An interesting all-day match was played at Kowloon yesterday. Ng See Kwong taking over a team drawn from C.R.C., I.R.C. and Craigengower. Kowloon batted first, and after losing 4 for 43 and 7 for 80, the late-comers got busy and called it 163. E.D. Evans 39, W. B. Haslett 25, C. I. Stapleton 20, Capt. Spinks 20. The visitors started well with 1 for 45, 4 for 80, but after 6 for 109 finished at 129 (W. Lock Wei 30, A. A. Rumjahn 22). In a second short knock (40 minutes each) Kowloon made 59 for six wickets (J. Stalker 22, E. D. Evans 16). The visitors managed 98 for 8 (U. Omar 58, A. A. Rumjahn 16), just five more than Kowloon's total. The best bowling feats were Stalker 4 for 29, Spinks 4 for 21, Overy 4 for 45 and 3 for 20, A. A. Rumjahn 3 for 27, Ng See Kwong 2 for 23.

Craigengower Match.
Tall scoring was seen in a match at Craigengower. Lammer's eleven v. Basa's eleven. Lammer's scored 235 (F. G. Thompson 100, L. E. Lammer 89, Basa's replied with 102 (Basa 53). H.K.C.C. v. United Services.
H.K.C.C. made a very poor show against a strong United Services team. H.K.C.C. scored 111 (J. D. Humphreys 22 not out, R. L. D. Wodehouse 21, E. W. Hamilton 19). Capt. Davies took 4 wickets for 27. Lt. Graham 5 for 55 and Com. Stanley 1 for 13. United Services made 211 (Davies 80, Com. Greig 67, Major Barnall 22). R. E. O. Bird got 3 wickets for 69, E. W. Hamilton 4 for 36, and G. R. Sayer 2 for 8.

WORLD WIDE SPORT.

Tommy Burns is prepared to meet Joe Beckett again over ten rounds for £1000 aside. But he is particularly keen on having a match with Bombardier Wells.

With an allowance of three strokes Miss Cecil Litch defeated Mr. Carl Bretherton on the Sandwell Park Course, Birmingham, by 2 and 1. They both did the round in 70 strokes.

The latest Australian mail states that J. R. Hooper, who recently won the Australian Billiard Championship, has decided to proceed to England to contest the English Amateur Championship, to be played next year.

Joe Beckett, the heavy-weight champion, has gone into training at Hampton Court for his engagement with Frank Moran at the Albert Hall on December 10. His opponent has also chosen quarters on the Thames, having taken a private house at Maidenhead.

Dr. J. A. Paterson, who made his debut for the Arsenal against Derby County at Highbury on Saturday, says: "There is a big difference. I can see, in football down south and the way we did things in Glasgow last season. However, I must get used to that. Others have done so, and I am going to have a shot."

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

PARLIAMENT PROROGUED.

London, Dec. 21.
Parliament has been prorogued till 15th February. The House of Commons has achieved a sessions record by sitting till three o'clock on the 22nd, and till midnight on the 23rd and 24th, with only a break of one hour at midday. The Opposition strenuously opposed the Government rushing seventeen pages of the Lords amendments to the Agricultural Bill. It challenged the divisions, declaring that the Government was subservient to the landed interests of the Lords. The Bill oscillated between the Lords and Commons until early midnight, when compromises resulted in an agreement.

The King's speech at the prorogation of Parliament, referring to foreign relations, says the situation in Greece will require the earnest attention of the Government, who, in conjunction with the Allies, will endeavour to reach a solution compatible with their joint responsibilities. He trusts that trade will shortly recommence with Russia and that this will lead to an era of peace. It is most important, however, that Poland and her neighbours should compose their political differences and devote their undivided energies to producing internal stability and economic reconstruction. Referring to acceptance of mandates for Mesopotamia, Palestine, German South West Africa and the German possessions in the Pacific, the speech says: "It will be the high task of all my Governments to superintend and assist the development of these countries according to their varying degrees of advancement for the benefit of the inhabitants and the general welfare of mankind."

Referring to the League of Nations the King earnestly hopes the spirit of harmony and goodwill between nations manifested at the Assembly is an augury of the value of the League as a force for conciliation and peace throughout the world.

Referring to the return of the Prince of Wales from Australasia and the West Indies His Majesty expresses the liveliest gratification at the enthusiastic affection with which the Prince of Wales was everywhere received. He is confident the Prince of Wales has done much to strengthen the national sympathy and trust cementing the Empire.

As regards the expenditure arising from the war His Majesty says the difficulties common to the whole world have nowhere been met so successfully as in Britain.

His Majesty, referring to Ireland, hopes the new Government of Ireland, the fruit of over thirty years' ceaseless controversy, will finally bring unity and friendship between all the peoples of the Kingdom. The Government is carefully and anxiously considering the question of naval strength as affected by the latest developments in naval warfare and is glad to believe that the difficulties which beset the people in wartime, especially in industrial affairs, were giving place to a better general understanding of the problems of industry and better relations between employers and employees. The darkest cloud on the horizon is the growing unemployment. It springs less from internal causes than the contraction of export trade due to the poverty of other nations and their inability to secure credits for the purpose of placing orders in Great Britain. These conditions equally affect all nations and Ministers will continue to give them unremitting attention with a view to mitigating the hardships of unemployment. As a direct consequence of the depression His Majesty's hope that ex-servicemen and especially disabled men would have been absorbed in civil employment had been disappointed. The Government had spared no efforts to secure the men's resettlement, but it had become more than ever necessary that these efforts should be supplemented by the active aid and co-operation of the people.

BOLSHEVIK PROPAGANDA.

London, Dec. 22.
The Chamber debated the interpellation on the Government's attitude towards Bolshevism which some deputies declared was widespread in France. The Premier, winding up the debate, said it was the Government's desire to pursue the work of national reconstruction in peace and it would defend France against the propaganda of social dissolution. The Chamber passed its confidence in the Government by 245 votes to 22.

The reluctance of the Soviet Government to specifically undertake to discontinue inimical propaganda in Persia, Afghanistan and India was explained by Sir Robert Horne in the House of Commons as the real obstacle to signing the trade agreement. He pointed out that this propaganda was avowedly directed at upsetting British interests. The agreement could not be signed until an undertaking was given. The British trader would be free to trade with Russia at his own risk if the negotiations failed. He believed and hoped an agreement would be signed because the provisions thereof were likely to bring about peace conditions under which alone the prosperity of trade could really be obtained. Sir Robert Horne discontinued the idea that many commodities were exportable from Russia.

The Hague, Dec. 22.
In the Second Chamber Dr. Vankarnebeck, presenting the Foreign Office estimates, declared that the Government placed no obstacle on the resumption of trade relations with Russia but was unable to accept responsibility therein. He advised the Chamber to wait and see how the situation developed as regards the breaking off of diplomatic relations with Serbia.

THE ARMENIAN SOVIET.

London, Dec. 23.
The new Armenian Government has issued a proclamation on approved Soviet lines. It declares free possession of all land, forests and mines, whether private, Church, or State, annulment of all foreign loans, especially the American loan, which it asserts the working classes of Armenia have been toiling to repay, and it proceeds to extend the hand of friendship to the Turkish working classes who are likewise fighting to shake off the yoke of the Entente.

NAVAL RIVALRY.

London, Dec. 23.
In the House of Commons, Commander Bellairs asked for an assurance that nothing material would be done towards renewal of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance, until the Imperial Conference in June next had considered the matter, together with the growing American-Japanese naval rivalry.

Mr. Lloyd George replied that the Government had already agreed and would only act thereon after consulting the Dominions' Governments.

SYDNEY HARBOUR TO BE BRIDGED.

Sydney, Dec. 21.
The New South Wales Government proposes to invite world-wide tenders for the construction of a bridge over Sydney harbour at an estimated cost of five millions sterling.

BANTAM BOXING.

New York, Dec. 23.
In the fifteen rounds bantam-weight championship of the world, Joe Lynch out-pointed Pete Herman. Notwithstanding his defeat Herman sails to-morrow for England to meet Jimmy Wilde.

BIG SILK FAILURE.

New York, Dec. 24.
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

SIAM ROYALTIES IN PARIS.

Paris, Dec. 24.
M. Leygues gave a luncheon in honour of Prince and Princess Paratchatra of Siam. The guests included Prince Charoon (the Minister for Siam), M. Long (Governor General of Indo-China) and Marshal Foch.

CHOLERA AMONG RUSSIANS.

Constantinople, Dec. 23.
Cholera has broken out among the Russian refugees. There were seventy cases in one day and thirty deaths.

JUDGE SERIOUSLY ILL.

London, Dec. 23.
Sir Aubrey Goodman, Chief Justice of the Malay States, is lying critically ill in Bath, where his wife has just died.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

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LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

London, Dec. 22.

A highly interesting survey of the work of the League of Nations during its first eleven months of existence was given by Mr. Balfour in the House of Commons.

In the course of dealing first with its labours from the standpoint of organisation, he referred to the division of the League's expenditure between the members which, he said, had led to a great deal of trouble. The present system was admittedly not very fair. The chief victims happened to be members of the British Empire who were liable to forty per cent. of the League's expenditure, and the Dominions' statesmen very properly had spent a good deal of time discussing it.

Referring to the International Court of Justice, he recalled that it was converted from a compulsory to an optional body in so far as it affected a nation's obligation to go before it. Britain and all the Dominions had subscribed to the arrangement. He did not doubt it would be universally approved and when half the nations had done this the Court would come into existence. It had been decided to defer proposals to amend the provisions of the League until it had existed for a year. It was a fact it was admittedly imperfect and must be changed after mature consideration.

He mentioned China's replacement of Greece as one of the four non-permanent members on the Council, which was the most important body of the League. It met monthly or bi-monthly and conducted very much of the League's business.

Turning to economic work, Mr. Balfour described the scheme brought out at Amsterdam by the bankers for commercial credits which the League had adopted, whereby the present formidable difficulty in the way of international exchange of goods was somewhat mitigated. The scheme would allow countries requiring essential imports to have their national assets valued by the League with the object of enabling the former to raise mortgage bonds thereon for payment of goods. It would be optional for an exporting country to accept these bonds. Mr. Balfour thought it extremely probable that the scheme would prove useful. Sir Robert Horne had authorised him to say that the Government was seriously considering whether such a scheme might be supplemented by a form of insurance rendering the currency and utility of the bonds more certain.

Dealing with the League's political work, he referred to a department on which he spoke disappointedly. He admitted that the League had been able to do very little. Nobody who remembered that there were nations of immense potential military importance outside the League would doubt that more could not have been done. He hoped the modest step taken would be carried further at the next Assembly. The question of traffic in arms was also in an unsatisfactory position notwithstanding that the important Powers had signed the convention, which was, however, not ratified.

Discussing Mandates, Mr. Balfour described the machinery provided for seeing that Mandates were properly carried out, which he thought was fair and workable. He traversed some of the ground covered by Lord Robert Cecil in the interview published yesterday.

Mr. Balfour admitted that he did not know the present situation as regards Armenia, as obscurity hung over recent events.

A certain amount of success had already been attained in the direction of fighting typhus and also, success was limited by lack of money.

As regards repatriation of prisoners, 150,000 out of 200,000 had actually been sent home.

He concluded by submitting that the catalogue represented a very creditable output and declared, amid cheers, that he was more than ever convinced that we can never afford to drop the experiment, and it seemed absolutely incredible to him that civilisation would ever consent to retreat the greatest step hitherto taken. (Good cheers.)

Baron Hayashi states he is very satisfied with the result of the Assembly of the League at Geneva. There were abundant signs that in the fullness of time the suspended machinery of peace would function smoothly. No nation more earnestly desired peace and the opportunity for legitimate economic expansion than Japan. Her policy had always been directed towards maintaining friendly relations with China and the United States, while the alliance with Britain was a source of satisfaction to the whole Japanese nation. Japan's hopes were fixed on the peaceful economic and social evolution of the Far Eastern peoples. Japan had no intention of settling the pace in the armaments race. Her naval programme was a measure of defence natural to an island Empire. Japan was always pleased to join any discussions between the nations of the League on disarmament and obviously such a discussion would depend on the inclusion of all great nations in the League.

SITUATION IN IRELAND.

London, Dec. 22.

The Dublin Castle review of conditions in Ireland states that the week ended 20th Dec. was marked by an increase in the number of organised armed attacks on Crown forces. Seven police and two soldiers were killed, and six police and ten soldiers wounded. Over eight hundred persons are interned in Dundrum Bay Camp.

The editor of "Freeman's Journal" has been sentenced by court martial to twelve months' imprisonment and the paper fined three thousand pounds for publishing unfounded statements regarding alleged floggings at Dublin barracks.

COAL CRISIS OVER.

Paris, Dec. 22.

Under the new coal agreement between Germany and the Allies, which was practically concluded by the Reparations Commission, Germany provides the minimum of two million tons monthly without the compensation provided by the Spa Agreement. France's share of this coal is a little less than hitherto, as the output of the devastated French mines is at present increasing at the rate of one hundred thousand tons a month.

Coal experts opine that the coal shortage crisis in Europe has definitely passed, owing partly to increasing production in Germany, France and Britain, but also to the industrial depression which has permitted the majority of European countries to lay up large stocks.

THE FIUME FARCE.

London, Dec. 22.

A "Times" message from Milan says: It has now leaked out that D'Annunzio's plan, just before the Italian Government's declaration of a blockade, was to abandon Fiume to her fate, land with all his forces in Dalmatia and incite the population to attack the Jugo-Slav troops, and thus create such a grave incident as would destroy the Treaty of Rapallo. Two steamers loaded with his legionaries had steam up in Fiume harbour, and a carefully prepared insurrection in Croatia was timed to break out at the same time. In view of all this the Italian Government hastened its ultimatum.

D'Annunzio's army, which is numerically insignificant, is opposed to 22,000 Italian regulars, and if the blockade is really effective D'Annunzio should not be able to hold out long.

A HONGKONG DECISION.

London, Dec. 23.

In response to representations from the Imperial Merchant Service Guild, the Board of Trade has decided to restore the certificate of the late master of the steamship Fausang, which was suspended for a year by the Marine Court of Hongkong in June in connection with the stranding of the vessel.

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LATE MR. WILDIN.

Largely Attended Funeral.

The funeral of the late Chief Preventive Officer John Charles Wildin, who died suddenly on the Canton Steamship wharf last Thursday, took place at Happy Valley on Friday afternoon, the large and representative gathering amply testifying to the popularity of the deceased officer. The Police Force and the Harbour Office, with which deceased had been so closely connected, the Army and the Navy, to whom Mr. Wildin was well-known as the Manager of the Boating Association, as well as the river steamers were well represented.

The body left the mortuary at 4 p.m. the cortege being increased at various places en route. Among those present were the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, Commander C. W. Beckwith, R.N. (Harbour Master and Superintendent of the Imports and Exports), Mr. P. P. J. Woodhouse, Captain Superintendent of Police, Lieut. Conway Hake, R.N., Captain Anderson (R.N. Yacht Club), Captain Gibson (R.N. Hong Kong), Messrs R. J. Wilton, J. McCann, G. N. N. Tinson, W. Logan, Chief Detective Inspector Murison, Chief Inspector Kerr, the Chinese Revenue Officers and Portuguese ex-Police Reservists. The principal mourners were Inspectors Caygill, Appleton, and Ans, sub-Inspectors Davies and Culliford, and Principal Gaol Warder J. Wiltshire, all of whom came out from England at the same time with the deceased to join the Government service. The procession drew up at the Protestant Cemetery where the coffin was lifted to the shoulders of Revenue Officers Ward, Watt, Grimmett, Knight, Lannigan, and Sergeant "Sky" Kerrison, of the Naval Yard Police, and taken to the grave. The burial ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. Copley Moyle.

The floral tributes sent included those from the deceased's sister, Nancy, Brother Revenue Officers, Chinese Revenue Officers, Engineers and Shipbuilders' Institute, Uncle, Auntie and Elsa, partmen of the Fleet, the Boating Association, Naval Yard Police, Sergeants' Mess (Victoria Barracks), Messrs Wilkinson and Grist, Committee of the Hongkong Dog and Poultry Show, Royal Marines Old Comrades' Association, Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Captain, Officers and ship's company of H.M.S. Ambrose, Water Police Station, the Asiatic Petroleum Co., Wing On & Co., No. 7 Police Station, Government Audit Department, the Lauchlin Curzon Prison staff, the staff of the Harbour Office, Sub-Inspectors and Sergeants of the Central Police Station, Yamnati Police Station, St. John's Lodge, No. 613, S.C. Chinese staff of the Imports and Exports, No. 2 Police Station, Sanitary Inspectors of Central District, Victoria Gaol staff, Hongkong Telegraph, Messrs Easton and Son, Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, Mr. H. Hancock, Mr. G. N. Tinson, Mr. D. J. MacKenzie, Mr. T. M. White, Captain Swanson, Inspector Gordon, Mr. T. McCarthy, Chas. J. M. Alves, Mr. Jackson, Mr. J. Ross, Mr. W. G. Fitzgibbon, Chief Inspector and Mrs. Kerr, Mr. E. Dunne, Captain Jenkins, Inspector Churches, Mr. Fred Ledestry, Mr. and Mrs. P. da Silva, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Hadley, Mr. W. Logan, Inspector Moore, Mr. J. Figueroa, Inspector and Mrs. Caygill, Mr. J. D. Floyd, Mr. S. A. Singh, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Threshill, Sergeant E. Kerrison, Inspector and Mrs. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hill, Mr. S. Kelly, Mr. P. P. J. Woodhouse, Mr. S. P. Leigh, Inspector and Mrs. Appleton, Mr. C. F. Mattheck, Mr. H. A. Lammert, Mr. L. E. Lammert, Mr. T. H. King, Mr. F. Chu, Mr. and Mrs. Osberry, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Pile, Mr. and Mrs. T. Hydes, Mr. C. T. Thomson, Mr. North, Revenue Inspector and Mrs. Grimmett, Mr. G. E. Moxon, Mr. S. Burleigh, Mr. and Mrs. Melvor, Mr. N. J. Stubb, Mr. J. Scott Harrison, Mr. P. Burns, Mr. and Mrs. East, Mr. D. W. Trautman, Sub-Inspector and Mrs. Culliford, Mr. and Mrs. Fincher and family, Mr. W. Knight, Lt. Conway Hake, R.N., Revenue Officer Marks, Mr. A. H. Crew, Mr. C. D. Melbourne, Mr. Eldon Potter, Mr. G. E. Watt, Revenue Officer Lannigan, Inspector and Mrs. O'Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Frost, Inspector and Mrs. Langley, Mr. C. H. W. Kew, Mr. C. M. Elvie, Mr. McCarthy, Mr. J. R. Wood, Inspector and Mrs. Eamer, Mr. F. C. Jenkin, Revenue Inspector and Mrs. Clarke, the Misses Ellis, Messrs. Winyard & Co., Mr. C. Cheung Ming Kai, Messrs To & To, Inspector Boulger, Mr. C. Crapin, Mr. H. W. Ramsey, Mr. Frank Lammert, Mr. and Mrs. W.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

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GERMAN DUPLICITY.

Paris, Dec. 21.
In the course of a debate in the Chamber on foreign policy the ex-war Minister M. Lefevre explained that his resignation was mainly due to the Finance Ministry's demand for cutting down the Army Estimates with which he did not agree. He asserted that Germany is trying to reconstitute her armaments as shown by the fact that she still possesses tens of thousands of machine-guns, millions of rifles and a large number of field-guns. Germany is also concealing eleven hundred gun breeches in secret depots whilst not a single model has been discovered of the two latest machine-guns, one of which is capable of firing 1,500 shots a minute against aircraft and the other intended for firing on trenches from aircraft. The ex-Minister besought the Government to come to an understanding with the Allies for the establishment of permanent control over Germany's armaments and to revise the Treaty of Versailles on this point. He asked for the maintenance of the military forces which were indispensable if a barricade between Germany and Bolshevism was to be kept up.

Later
Diplomatic circles are disposed to regard M. Lefevre's speech in the French Chamber on Germany's capacity for mischief as too alarmist, though it certainly has some solid basis. This is borne out by the knowledge possessed by the chief members of the Entente of the present existence of a composite, well-equipped German force in Bavaria described as Citizen Guards. Representations herein made by the Allied Mission have not evoked a satisfactory reply, the contention being that they are necessary owing to local conditions.

FRENCH TRADE.

London, Dec. 22.
Official statistics of French foreign trade for the first eleven months of 1920 show that the situation is constantly improving. Exports exceeded by over 100 millions sterling last year's figures for the same period. Imports during the same period show an increase of some twenty millions only. One other satisfactory fact is that food imports are decreasing steadily and exports of manufactured articles increasing every day.

The former Cabinet Minister M. Loucheur, speaking before the Chamber of Deputies, stated that the present economic world crisis is largely ascribable to exchanges being in such an unsettled condition and he expressed the opinion that Great Britain and the United States would be well advised in giving up their present policy of financial isolation and granting loans to nations temporarily embarrassed. All nations are now bound together economically. M. Loucheur also stated that world peace would be completely restored only after Germany's disarmament. The Chamber, by a large majority, passed a vote of confidence in the Government.

U.S. AND SANTO DOMINGO.

Washington, Dec. 23.
President Wilson will shortly issue a proclamation authorising the relaxation of the American military regime at Santo Domingo. A Commission of Representative Dominicans will be created, with a technical adviser to be appointed by President Wilson, to revise the laws and constitution. A proclamation published at Santo Domingo states that the United States Government believes the time has arrived when it might inaugurate simple processes for rapid withdrawal from its responsibilities under the Treaty with the Santo Domingo Government.

AMERICAN MARINE LAW.

Washington, Dec. 21.
The Chairman of the Senate Commerce Committee has introduced a Bill, denying entrance of foreign vessels into American ports, whose conditions on board are below those prescribed by the American Mercantile Marine Measure. If passed it will become effective in ninety days after enactment, and will require foreign vessels to carry Shipping Board permits.

RELIEF FOR AMERICAN FARMERS.

Washington, Dec. 23.
The House of Representatives has passed an emergency Bill for the purpose of aiding farmers by the imposition of a high protective tariff on imported agricultural products.

AMERICAN FINANCE.

Washington, Dec. 23.
The Secretary of the Treasury, addressing the Senate Committee, forecasted a gross deficit on the national transactions of the present year of 2,100 million dollars and a deficit for next fiscal year of 1,500 millions.

NEW YORK'S BRIGANDS.

New York, Dec. 23.
A motor sharp-shooter squad, armed to the teeth, has been organised in New York to hunt down bandits. It consists of twenty motor cars, each manned by five snipers and a miniature machine-gun. It is officially described as "most suitable for use in crowded thoroughfares."

MORE LYNCH LAW.

New York, Dec. 23.
In the early morning twenty-five masked men at Fort Worth, Texas, took a man from jail, where he was incarcerated after shooting and killing a policeman trying to arrest him for intoxication, and hung him to a tree near a grave. They disappeared after firing shots at the prisoner's body.

EMPLOYMENT IN AMERICA.

London, Dec. 23.
A "Times" message from New York says that eleven out of thirty-nine cotton mills have closed at Fall River. Factories of all kinds are closing in New England and the Eastern States, or employers are drastically reducing wages. Apparently the policy of the employers is to force conditions of production back to normal.

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DAY BY DAY.

The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn will arrive by the Delta at the beginning of January.

On Saturday a Chinese boy fell from a tramcar and sustained a number of injuries which necessitated his going to Hospital.

In a fight between soldiers and sailors at Spring Garden Lane on Saturday, an outsider, a Chinese, got hurt to such an extent that he had to seek aid medical at the Government Civil Hospital.

On Sunday a Chinese female was removed to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from a number of injuries which resulted from an attempt to alight from a tramcar whilst it was in motion.

A Chinese was on Friday removed to the Government Civil Hospital from a house in Second Street. He had a stab wound in his abdomen which was believed to have been inflicted by his uncle in a fit of insanity. The uncle is in Police custody.

Last night an armed robbery took place at No. 25 Water Street, the haul effected comprising of jewellery and clothing amounting in value to \$60. Whilst one man was stationed at the staircase to keep a watch, the four other robbers entered the door, without any difficulty as it was left open. They held up the inmates with a revolver, after securely binding them, with pieces of rope, conducted a thorough search of the house, and escaped with the inmate's jewellery and clothing.

On Christmas night, members of the Warders' Mess, Victoria Gaol, gave a dinner to their friends of the Services and a number of civilians, over fifty sitting down to an excellent repast. Mr. Harry Johnston was in the chair, and the duties of M. C. were carried out by Mr. Paice. The Mess was brilliantly decorated for the occasion, and during the evening a flashlight photo was taken. Before the dinner a silent toast was drunk to the memory of the late Warder Speed, whilst later a number of other toasts were honoured. The dinner arrangements were in the hands of Messrs. Wiseman, under the personal supervision of the Manager (Mr. D. M. Goodall), and afterwards a smoking concert and dance were held. Mr. Tallon, piping for the Scottish Reels. During the dinner a mild sensation was caused when one of the guests was discovered drinking water! The pianist was Mr. Parry Woodcock, of H.M.S. Holly-oak. The function was in every way a success. Mr. Hill acted as Treasurer.—Contributed.

EXCHANGE.

(Opening Rate; closing Rate on Page 11.)

SELLING.

1/1	.....	3/13 1/2
Demand	.....	3/1 13/16
10 d/s	.....	3/2 1/16
50 d/s	.....	3/2 3/16
4 m/s	.....	3/2 5/16
1/1 Shanghai	.....	Nom.
1/1 Singapore	.....	136
1/1 Japan	.....	112 1/2
1/1 India	.....	219
Demand, India	.....	219 1/4
1/1 San Francisco	.....	55 1/2
1/1 Java	.....	174 1/2
1/1 Marks	.....	Nom.
1/1 France	.....	9 3/4
Demand, Paris	.....	—

BUYING.

4 m/s. L/C	.....	333 1/4
4 m/s. D/P	.....	341 1/4
6 m/s. L/C	.....	343 1/4
10 d/s. Sydney and Melbourne	.....	347 1/4
10 d/s. San Francisco and New York		57 1/4
4 m/s. Marks		Nom.
4 m/s. France		9 9/10
6 m/s. France		10 1/10
Demand, Germany		—

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 31st Dec., will be subject to rent.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1920.

Demand, New York	5 1/2
1/1 Bombay	Nom.
Demand, Bombay	—
1/1 Calcutta	Nom.
Demand, Calcutta	—
On Yokohama	112 1/2
Demand, Manila	122 Nom.
Demand, Singapore	136
On Haiphong	Nom.
On Saigon	—
On Bangkok	67
Sovereign	Nom. 6.25
Gold leaf per Tael	44.80
Bar Silver, ready	42
forward	42
Bank of England rates	7 1/2
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Hongkong Dec. 29, 1920.

NOTICE.

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NOTICE is hereby given that Certificate for 2 Shares Numbers 25592 25593 issued on 22nd May 1894 in the name of Ismail Pillay Madar has been declared lost, and should the same not be produced before 7th January 1921, it shall be deemed cancelled and of no effect.

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1920.

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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Thursday, the 30th December, 1920,

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39 kegs Red Lead

59 kegs Imperial Dark Green Paint

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5 cases Varnish

5 cases Enamel

2 cases Varnish Remover

1 case Floor Wax

1 case Prussian Blue Paint

1 case Oil Stains

1 case Medicine Oil

5 cases Soap

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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having arrived from Portland via ports, on Dec. 23rd Consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or Extra-Hazardous Godowns of The Hong Kong Godown Co. 16 & 17 Kennedy Town, Praya, Hongkong, and stored at Consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports & Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns, where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on December 28th by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here after which they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after Dec. 29th will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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From NORTH AMERICA via
JAPAN PORTS & SHANGHAI.

The Company's Steamship

"ARABIA MARU"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or Extra-Hazardous Godowns of The Hongkong Godown Co. 16 & 17 Kennedy Town, Praya, Hongkong, and stored at Consignees' risk.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd Dec. 1920 will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees' representative and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas, at 10 a.m. on Wednesday and Saturday. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignatures immediately.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

Y. YASUDA,

Manager.

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1920.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP.

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 22nd inst.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 28th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-Signed on or before the 1st Jan. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Hongkong, 15th December, 1920.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FROM EUROPE & STRAITS.

The Company's Steamship

"KAGA MARU"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or Extra-Hazardous Godowns of The Hongkong Godown Co. 16 & 17 Kennedy Town, Praya, Hongkong, and stored at Consignees' risk.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before Noon today.

Goods not cleared by the 1st Jan. 1921, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees' representative and the Co's representatives at an appointed hour on Tuesday and Friday. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

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Hongkong, 25th December, 1920.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STRUTHERS & DIXON INC.

From SAN FRANCISCO

The Steamship

"WEST CACTUS"

having arrived from San Francisco via ports, on 26th December, 1920, consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or Extra-Hazardous Godowns of The Hongkong Godown Co. 16 & 17 Kennedy Town, Praya, Hongkong, and stored at Consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports & Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns, where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on 31st Dec., 1920, by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke.

All claims must be presented within 10 days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after 2nd January, 1921, will be subject to rent.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

STRUTHERS & DIXON, INC.

Agents.

For Div. of Opr.

U. S. Shipping Board

Emergency Fleet Corporation.

12, Des Voeux Road Central.

Hongkong, 26th December, 1920.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from page 1)

MESOPOTAMIAN SITUATION.

London, Dec. 23.

A White Paper contains a statement by Sir Percy Cox that the pacification of Mesopotamia has progressed so satisfactorily it has been possible to declare an amnesty in the recently disturbed areas of the Middle Euphrates, where the inhabitants have resumed their peaceful avocations. The Council of State has appointed an expert committee to draft a scheme of organisation of the local forces to replace the British army of occupation.

THE Y.M.C.A. ATTACKED.

Rome, Dec. 23.

The Y.M.C.A. is attacked in a decree issued by the Holy Office, asking the Bishops to watch "an organisation which, while professing absolute freedom of thought in religious matters, instils indifference and apostasy to the Catholic religion in the minds of its adherents." The decree mentions the Y.M.C.A. which, it says, is upheld by many Catholics who are ignorant of its real nature and declares it corrupts the faith of youths.

RIOTING AT BROOME.

Perth, W.A., Dec. 24.

Special police are controlling the situation at Broome. Over twenty Japanese have been arrested in connection with the recent riots.

Melbourne, Dec. 24.

The warship German has been ordered to Broome, presumably as a precaution against further Japan-Malayan troubles.

GERMAN REPARATIONS.

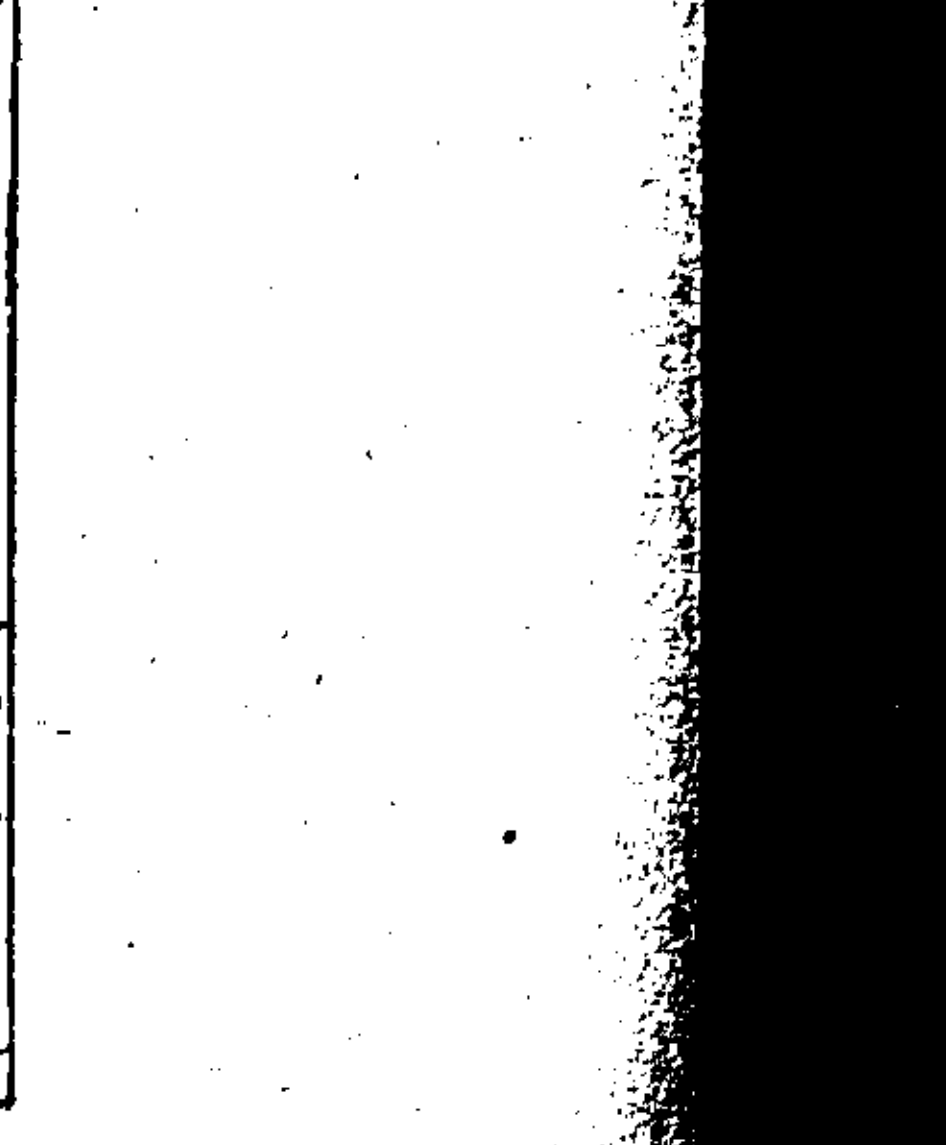
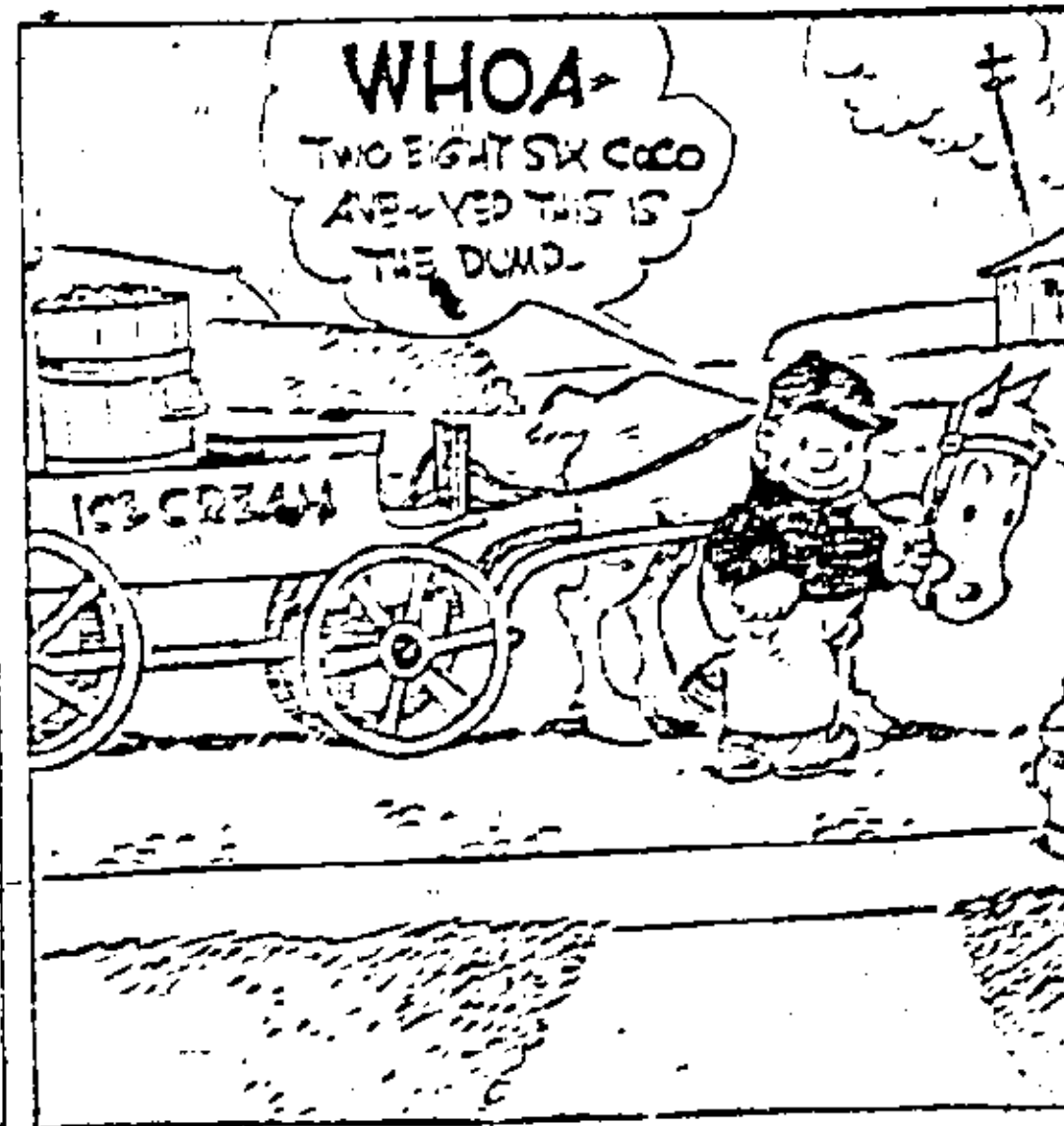
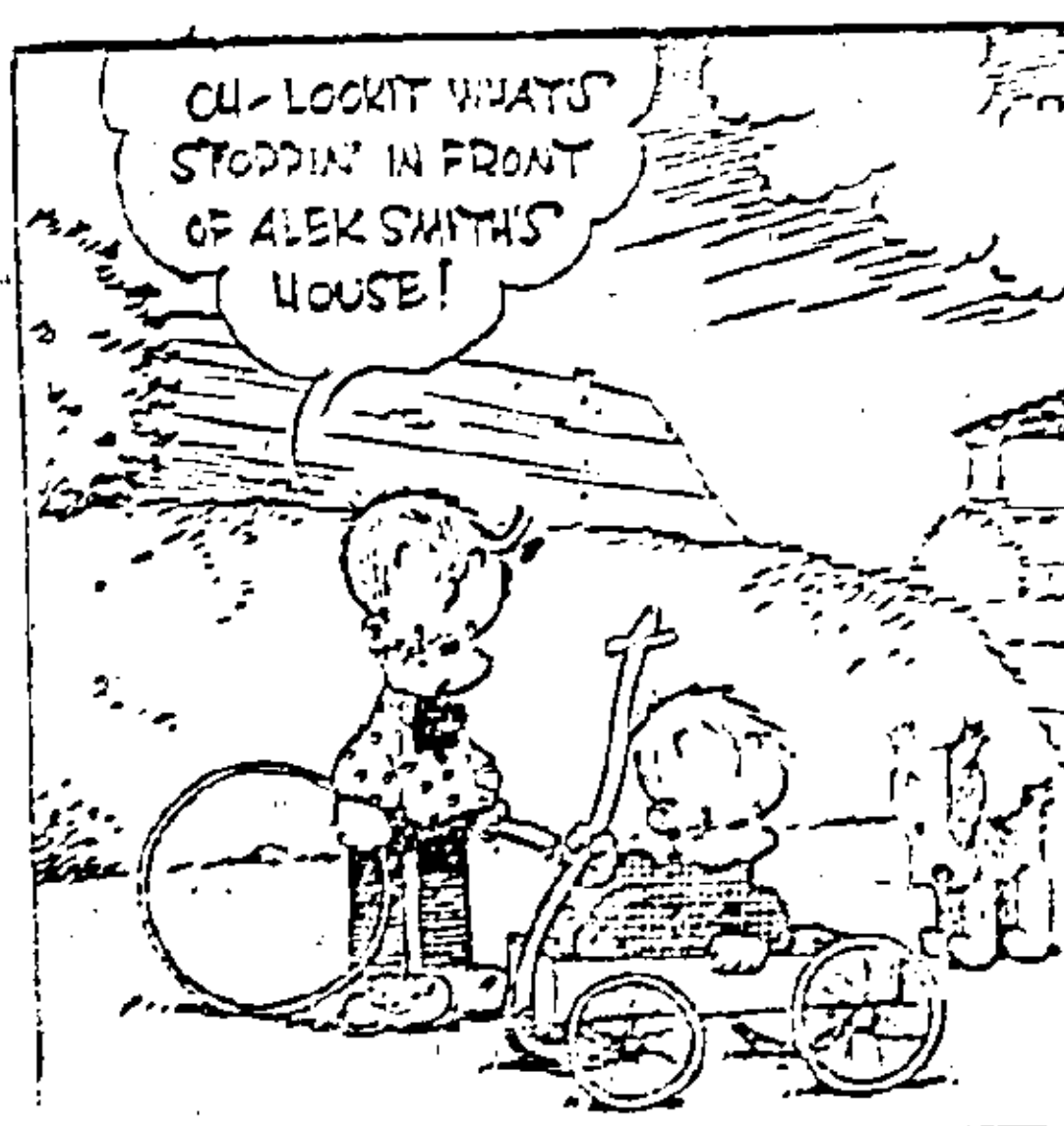
Paris, Dec. 24.

"Le Temps" believes the Brussels Experts Conference, which is to resume on 10th January next, will bring things to a conclusion soon afterwards for, Germany's paying possibilities being established, the only remaining problem will be to set up a practical plan of reparations which plan is to be carried out surely. The Allies at Brussels have never ceased being completely agreed on that score.

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1920.

THE KWANGTUNG MINING SCHEME.

In the past we have had occasion to comment on the wonderful latent mineral resources of China in general and of Kwangtung Province in particular, and to point out the great benefits which would accrue to the world if co-operation could be assured between Chinese and foreign interests on lines whereby the latter provided the necessary capital and expert assistance, whilst at the same time guaranteeing efficient management. We have felt, as so many others have, that only by such means can the full development of the country's mineral wealth be effected and China make her full contribution to the progress and prosperity of the world. It is, therefore, with the utmost satisfaction that we learn of the scheme which has been drawn up by which it is hoped to work the coal deposits of certain areas in the adjacent province of Kwangtung on a co-operative Anglo-Chinese basis, to the manifest advantage of the Chinese and in a manner which, if the promoters' aspirations are realised, should contribute to the commercial and industrial expansion of the Colony of Hongkong. In the past, the paramount difficulty has been to find a *modus operandi* of *modus* to comply with the mining regulations of China and at the same time to allow of the participation of foreign capital and supervision, but this difficulty, it would appear, Major Cassel and his associate, Mr. Sun Pak-ming, have been successful in overcoming in an agreement which has been described by probably the greatest authority on Chinese affairs as "the fairest agreement ever made in China."

We have spoken of this agreement as being founded on a co-operative Anglo-Chinese basis, and in support of that claim we would emphasise the point that not only do the Chinese receive half the total capital of the Company for nothing, but there is nothing in the agreement to prevent their subscribing for "A" shares. The preponderance of foreign directors over Chinese is prescribed so as to comply with Hongkong Company Law and to ensure efficient management of the projected undertaking. Another point which we should like to emphasise is that the promoters of the syndicate are obviously animated, above all else, by a desire to secure coal; the scheme is not one that has been devised for the procuring of promotion profits. The main fact which strikes us in this connection is the nature of the arrangements for the capitalisation of the Company, namely, that out of a total nominal capital of ten million dollars, half goes to the Chinese, leaving five million dollars for working capital, out of which one million dollars have to be paid in cash to the Government in the form of a deposit as a guarantee of good faith, repayable out of dividends on "B" shares and an amortisation fund, leaving only four million dollars actual working capital. It will be apparent, therefore, that if the syndicate receives a refund of the expenses incurred up to the date of flotation, there will certainly be very little opening left for "promotion profits." Since the news of the drawing up of the agreement has become public property, there has appeared in print a deal of misinformation suggesting that the syndicate has obtained an exclusive monopoly which conflicts with the doctrine of the Open Door in China. These comments, or many of them, have been based on the presumption that this syndicate has secured a monopoly of the whole coal-mining rights of Kwangtung, whereas in point of fact rights have only been conceded in twenty out of over seventy-five provincial districts, these being chiefly chosen on account of proximity to railways already constructed. There are very many other districts in the province known to contain large fields, and, in regard to these, other interests can come in if they so desire. More than that, concessions for over fifty mines have already been granted to other concerns, so that this talk of another door having been shut is, to say the least, conceived rather in the imagination than on hard facts. Actually, it is a case of opening a door that was previously shut—and shut very tightly, too.

There are many other aspects of the agreement which could be commented upon in such a way as to show the fallacy of some of the criticisms which have been levelled against it. We will content ourselves at the moment with a brief reference to two points. From what we can gather, the syndicate has no desire to control or interfere in any way with existing railways or to conflict with Consortium plans, but, as it may be necessary to connect existing trunk lines by branch lines to link up the coalfields, this contingency has very naturally been provided for in the agreement. As to the cancellation of existing permits, it is the law in almost every country that, when a mining right is granted, certain development work has to be carried out in a prescribed time, and in case of non-compliance, such right becomes forfeit. This law should stimulate development rather than operate in favour of monopolists and should prevent the holding up of claims for the benefit of the individual speculator. As to the Kwangtung Government's sanction to the present agreement, we are not aware whether this has been actually obtained or not, but from what we know of the ethics of Chinese politics a Government coming into power has never been known to rescind or repudiate any agreement entered into by its predecessor—a circumstance that accounts for the fact that Chinese loans stand at such a high value compared with those of other nations. So far as we can see, the agreement has everything to commend it. It is not monopolistic in character; it has been conceived on generous co-operative lines, and if put into operation it will be a tribute to British enterprise and fairness. And one strong point which should appeal to the Kwangtung Government is that the activities of this Anglo-Chinese syndicate should render the Province independent of imported coal, upon which at present many millions of dollars are spent annually.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

An English Professor on China.

A distinguished Britisher arrived in the East recently in the person of Prof. the Hon. Bertrand Russell, who, it was at first understood, was to fill a chair at Peking University, but who appears to be engaged upon a roving commission, as it was reported the other day that he is soon to deliver lectures in Japan and elsewhere. Prof. Russell, member of a family belonging to the Peerage, is numbered among those comprising what is somewhat vaguely denominated the "advanced" school of thought. He is known in the Old Country as the author of several works upon ethics and sociology, and, incidentally, came into prominent notice during the war through one of his publications inflicting the orders of the exacting and sometimes capricious lady known as D. O. R. A. It was only to be expected, therefore, that it would not be long before he was called upon for his impressions of China. Says the Professor: "The traveller arriving in China from Europe for the first time is struck to begin with by the great artistic beauty of all that is traditional, and the aesthetic ruin wrought by modern industrialism wherever it has penetrated. He will find an old-world charm in Buddhist monasteries and Buddhist thought; he will rejoice to find that there are men of high education in their own line, whose whole outlook and knowledge are utterly different from that of the European. And he will wish such peculiarities preserved, in order to increase the interest and diversity of the spectacle which the world offers to studious contemplation." This one may call the typically professional view. Prof. Russell is prompt to recognise, however, that China needs to do something more than present a spectacle for "studious contemplation," and, more than this, he finds that "many of the most vigorous and intelligent of the Chinese" recognise it for him; that not only have they no appreciation to spare for the ancient excellencies in China, but that they are distinctly impatient when foreigners praise these. In a contrary aspect Prof. Russell was not a little impressed by the survival of the belief in a sage as ruler—a belief in the ability of one wise man to solve a nation's difficulties. The singular thing to the average Western mind is how people so permeated with a belief in wisdom can tolerate such a pack of self-seekers as generally rule them. Perhaps their predilection for the wise man induces them to accept the first-comer as a sage.

"Go Slow" Policy for Authors.

Presiding at a literary function in London last month Judge Atherton-Jones, expressing a preference for the writers of the past, said he sometimes thought it would be a good thing if many of our authors "went canny"—as the trade unionist terms it—when he goes to work. The trade unionist, of course, does this out of consideration for himself and his confederates, while Judge Atherton-Jones doubtless means that authors should do it out of consideration for their readers. There is reason in the suggestion. We are not of those who believe in habitually glorifying the past at the expense of the present, but a look-through of the *lavish* display of literary wares at a London railway bookstall forces the conclusion upon one that the object of many present-day authors is quantity rather than quality.

A New-Old Quest.

The alchemists spent their days, we are told, in searching for the *elixir vitalis*, with which to gain perpetual youth, and the philosopher's stone, with which to transmute base material into gold. Their quest remains, if the alchemists have passed. Our mamma's can well remember Madam Rachel as an exponent of the one kind, while the exploits of Lamoigne and others in the second department come within recent history. For the matter of that we read only the other day of a process for artificially producing diamonds, and now we see that Prof. Steinach of Vienna offers not a preservative merely, but a restorative of youth. It is not many months since a similar discovery was announced from some part of Continental Europe, followed

DAY BY DAY.

AN EVIL INTENTION PERVERTS THE BEST ACTIONS AND MAKES THEM SIN.—Addison.

Sir Paul and Lady Chater returned to the Colony by the Paul Lecat.

Mr. R. Ponsonby Fane, late Private Secretary to Sir Henry May, is on a visit to the Colony.

Amongst the passengers arriving from Home by the Rhesus on Christmas Day was Mr. A. E. Crapnell.

Sir Robert Ho Tung has joined the Directorate of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.

Until further notice, no dogs brought from the Philippine Islands will be permitted to land in this Colony.

Mr. E. S. Wilkinson, A. C. A., has been appointed an auditor for the purposes of the Companies Ordinances.

The only case of communicable disease notified for the four days ended yesterday was one non-fatal occurrence of diphtheria (Chinese).

The Holland-China Trading Company has been granted a licence to trade under the Non-Ferrous Metal Industry Ordinance, 1919.

The late Mrs. Catherine Marden-Ranger, who was born in Hongkong, a daughter of the late Capt. Marden, of Saribitoro, left estate of the gross value of £36,463.

The total output of the Kailash Mining Administration's mines for the week ending 11th December, amounted to 90,053 tons, and the sales during the period, to 82,919 tons.

The King's Exequatur empowering Mr. William H. Gale to act as Consul-General for the United States of America in Hongkong has received His Majesty's signature.

In a quarrel which ensued from an argument concerning money matters, one of the disputants got hurt through the aggressiveness of his opponent. He is now in the Government Civil Hospital.

The P. & O. s.s. *Plassy* brought a number of Hongkong residents back from home furlough, among them Mr. C. Bond, Mr. H. Campbell, Mr. Herridge and two children, Mr. Mrs. and Miss Parkham, Mr. and Mrs. Raworth and child, Mrs. Stark and child, Mr. A. B. Stewart and others.

The *Rock* states that Victoria View, Kowloon, has been purchased by a Chinese syndicate for over a quarter million dollars, that two Chinese gentlemen intend to take up residence in two of the houses, and that the rest of the property will be carved out into smaller lots and either built upon or sold to small buyers.

Marriage.

WONG-JEU HAWK.—At St. John's Cathedral yesterday, Peter Wong, eldest son of the late Mr. Wong Tung Lum and of Mrs. Wong, to Macy Jew Hawk, eldest daughter of Dr. Jew Hawk, of Hongkong, the Rev. Copley Moyle officiating.

Deaths.

IRELAND.—On December 25th, 1920, at 39, Austin Road, Kowloon, George Ireland, Works Manager, The China Light and Power Co., (1918) Ltd. Aged 46 years.

NORTHCOTE.—December 27th, at "Idesleigh," Bowen Road, Emily Swanton, the dearly loved wife of Mowbray Stafford Northcote.

by an ominous silence. This time sceptics will be particularly chary, and not less so because Prof. Steinach frankly states that he can only prolong youth—not life.

"THE ROCK."

Catholics and the War Memorial.

We have received a copy of the January number of *The Rock*, which was issued on the 24th, December as a Christmas number. We must begin by congratulating the Editor and the Management on the excellence of the magazine, which has not only maintained the standard set in the first (October) number, but has steadily improved from month to month. We readily agree that for literary excellence, for interesting reading matter, and for general get-up, the magazine is, as the Management tell us they have been informed from all quarters, "a credit to Hongkong and the Far East."

The most striking article in the present number is that dealing with the Hongkong War Memorial "from the standpoint of the Catholic community," for whom we are told, "the decision of the public meeting at the City Hall, on the 2nd inst., was a disappointment." The writer takes strong exception to the point, "laboured at considerable length at the meeting, that the civilian element in Hongkong could not provide the organisation and personnel to run the proposed institution."

He points out that the decision to erect a non-utilitarian memorial "was the decision of the community as a whole, and the carrying out of it in its details was left to a Sub-Committee." He argues that the merging of the War Memorial in the Y.M.C.A. scheme was decided at "an emergency meeting of the Sub-Committee called at the eleventh hour," in which action, he holds, "the Sub-Committee proceeded ultra vires in that they were not empowered to subvert the decision of the General Committee in so radical a manner. Dealing with the question of Y.M.C.A. control he continues. It is mere sophistry to argue that the Y.M.C.A. is a non-sectarian institution. It is sectarian in its most pronounced form inasmuch as only Protestant Christians are allowed on its Committee. Catholics as Catholics—though even Y.M.C.A. members will not dare to deny the Christianity of their profession—are not admitted in the executive or administrative bodies of the Y.M.C.A. A Confucian, a Buddhist or a Mahomedan is as much a *persona non grata* on the Committee of the Y.M.C.A. as a Catholic is the *bete noire* of their directors." The article makes it quite clear that the Catholic community will gladly support "any plan having for its object the improvement of the social amenities of the naval and military men attached for service in Hongkong," but if the plan contemplates the provision of an institution of the kind suggested, Catholic support "will not be forthcoming unless 'the sectarian element is wholly eliminated.'"

In the alternative the writer recalls that a Catholic War Memorial Committee which was formed some time ago decided against the erection of a separate memorial, and in favour of joining in the larger general scheme. "In view," he writes, "of the extraordinary turn of events and to our mind, the irregular decision of the Sub-Committee, we would urge the desirability of reviving the Catholic Committee and of erecting an unpretentious memorial in Hongkong to commemorate the glorious self-sacrifice of our dead as apart from the Y.M.C.A. scheme. The article undoubtedly affords serious matter for reflection for those who supported the Y.M.C.A. scheme, especially when they come to consider the fact that as a sectarian institution, the building could not be patronised by Catholic sailors and soldiers, of whom there are always several hundreds on this station. In truth it would appear that an institution run on the lines proposed would hardly be an appropriate tribute to the memory of the millions of Catholic soldiers and sailors of our own and the allied Forces, who died that we might live." We must admit that we are forcibly struck by the point which the writer has made in this article. In short it is this: If it is desired to build a Y.M.C.A. or any other sectarian institute, by all means let the members of the Church concerned, Catholic or Protestant, do so; but do not erect such a building by the aid of funds subscribed for another purpose by the general public—Catholic, Protestant, Buddhist, Mahomedan, etc., and then tell the members of other Churches and other religions, or no religion,

FOOTBALL.

Charity Match.

On the Club ground yesterday afternoon, before a large crowd of spectators Civilian and Service teams met in a charity match the proceeds of which are to be sent to St. Dunstan's Hotel for the Blinded Sailors and Soldiers.

The Civilians won the toss and at 4.15 p.m. Mr. R. J. Wilton, Chairman of the Hongkong Football Club, started the game. The Services were soon attacking and were awarded a corner which was cleared and play was transferred to the other end, where Hamilton sent outside. The play was very fast, and considering that mixed teams were playing, the football was good. At times glimpses of good combination were noticed in mid-field, but the forwards failed in front of goal as several good passes were missed which should have been improved upon. The Services' front string was superior to the Civilians, but the latter made up for it in defence, for Wheeler and Chan So were very safe, whereas Edwards and Barrett, although tackling well, miskicked when things looked very awkward for the services and Green had to run out the clear. The teams crossed over with no score.

Resuming, the services had much the better of the play, but Rodger was very safe in goal and kept them out. Amor was well fed during the latter half, but Leung-Tuk kept him well covered and prevented him getting away, so he was forced to shoot from long range and Rodger had plenty of time to clear. It would have served the army winger better had he centred instead of shooting at goal. Following some neat combination by the civilians McFarish sent over a well-timed centre which beat Green and a good chance went begging. However, the ball went out to the left, where Evelyn was tackled by Barrett and the former sent in to Robinson, who standing unmarked close in sent the ball past Green, thereby winning the match for his side. In the closing stages, the Service set up a bombardment of the Civilians' goal, but they could not reduce the lead and the final whistle sounded leaving the Civilians winners of a fast and clean game by one goal to nil.

Mr. Jones was the referee, while Mr. McCubbin and C.P.O. Edwards, R.N. were the linesmen. On the play, the result should have been a draw.

University v. C.C.C.

This game was played in the University Ground on December 23rd. The University was represented by N. M. Lim (Capt.), S. A. M. Saper, H. S. Tay, K. C. and C. C. Chesh, H. C. Lee, K. H. Chao, D. E. Samy, N. Serb, G. S. Lim and T. S. Khoo, with C. L. Chow and B. H. Wong as reserves.

The score was in favour of the University by five goals to three. Of the winning team, Samy and K. S. Cheah were each responsible for two goals, the remaining one being due to Serb.

When the game was over the visitors were entertained to tea, at which the Acting Vice-Chancellor and the Registrar were present.

that—though they can have no voice in its management—it stands as a memorial to their heroic dead! Mr. N. Teesdale Mackintosh, M. A., Registrar of the University of Hongkong, contributes an interesting and very original article entitled "Some Thoughts on Education." Mr. Mackintosh is of the opinion that the aim of education in China should be "to try for the next fifty years to provide teachers; men who will spread themselves throughout the whole of China teaching the glad news of Civilisation, of the victory of Science over disease, of the triumph of Right over Might and the conquest of nature by man." There is a well-written article "Before the Crib," faced by a pretty halftone reproduction of Feuerstein's picture. The Holy Night.

Among the Christmas stories are "Mary Cassidy's Christmas," "An Indian Christmas" by L. T. W., and "Her Christmas Gift," by Yvonne. The number contains some excellent poetry, of which the charming verses "Christmas Guests," by Mrs. Gladys Jackson, and a long poem of high merit entitled "St. Benedict," by Lieut.-Col. F. J. Bowen, call for special mention. In "Urbs et Orbis" we have eight pages of interesting news items from all parts of the world. Under "Social and Personal," "Notes and Comments," and "Kowloon and its Hinterland" there is, as usual, a wealth of information on

ORITUARY.

Death of Mr. George Ireland.

We record with much regret the death, which took place on Christmas morning, of Mr. George Ireland, manager of the China Light and Power Co., Ltd., at the early age of 46 years. The deceased gentleman, who was widely known and highly respected, was a native of Westmoreland. He joined the Associated Portland Cement Co., Ltd., at Greenhithe, in 1900 and was with them for fifteen years, leaving home in 1915 to take up the post of manager to the China Light and Power Company in Kowloon. During his regime big developments have taken place there. Two years ago he contracted serious symptoms of consumption, but appeared to benefit considerably from a protracted health trip to California. Shortly after his return he suffered another breakdown in health and took a trip to Yunnanfu from which, however, no benefit accrued, and after a long and trying illness he passed away about 7.30 on Christmas morning. The utmost sympathy is felt for Mrs. Ireland in her sad bereavement.

The funeral took place on Christmas Day and was largely attended, the chief mourners being Mr. J. H. Donnithorne and Mr. S. Grunsell.

Death of Mrs. Northcote.

Much sympathy will be extended to Mr. Mowbray S. Northcote in the loss he has sustained by the death of his wife which took place at her residence, Bowen Road, yesterday. The deceased lady had resided for a great number of years in the Colony, and her death will be mourned by a wide circle of friends.

The funeral took place at Happy Valley last evening, when among those present were: Sir Paul Chater, Dr. G. P. Jordan, Dr. C. Forsyth, Messrs. H. Percy Smith, A. Forbes, W. A. Hannibal, D. W. Cameron, J. H. Seth, H. W. J. Wilkinson, W. R. Wilkinson, A. M. Stark, Hon. P. H. Holyoak, A. G. Coppin and her sorrowing husband, the household staff of servants and many of the Company's contractors. Wreaths were sent by "Mowbray," Sir Paul and Lady Chater, Dr. and Mrs. Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. Holyoak, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Cameron, Mr. W. Sinclair, Mr. H. Percy Smith, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. D. Stephens Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Seth, Mr. C. S. Gubbay, Mr. M. and Mrs. A. G. Coppin, Mr. A. M. Stark, Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Forsyth, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hannibal, Mrs. and Miss Armstrong, W. Logan, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Forbes, Mrs. and Miss Wallace, Mr. G. M. Dodwell, Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Grimble, Mr. Harold Seth, The House Servants, Messrs. Sui Yuen and others.

THEATRICALS.

The H. B. Waring Company.

The H. B. Waring English Dramatic Company, who are at present playing an extended tour of India, will conclude their Indian tour in Calcutta in February, after which they play a fortnight in Rangoon and then sail for Singapore, en route to China and Japan. The very highest reports keep coming from various points in India of the excellence of the company and the splendid plays which they are producing. Their repertoire includes now about twenty-four, which means they can play for over three weeks without repeating one night. Amongst the most popular of these have been "The Stoops to Conquer," "The Butterfly on the Wheel," "The Merchant of Venice," "Mr. Pim Passes By," "The Witness for the Defence," "The Purple String," and the screamingly funny farce, "Ann." The Company will arrive in Hongkong on April 15 and open on the 16th at the Theatre Royal.

local matters, some items of which we reproduce elsewhere. We should also mention a contribution entitled "Christmas in the Trenches," by Lieut.-Col. W. N. Nicholson, and a short illustrated article on the Benedictine monastic settlement on the island of Caldey, off the south of England. The number closes with reviews of some recent books, and two pages "In Lighter Vein." For general excellence the magazine will bear comparison with any publication of its kind even in England and America, and at the price, 20 cents, it is wonderful value, especially when we consider the illustrations and the fact that the reading matter alone runs to 56 pages.

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[To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph"]

Appeal to Manchester Men.

Sir—As Colonel of the Manchester Regiment, I would ask the courtesy of your publishing this letter in your columns, to inform all ranks who have served in the regiment, regular Battalions, Special Reserve Battalions, Service Battalions, Territorial Battalions, that it is hoped the History of all battalions (Regular, Special Reserve, Service, Territorial, Garrison, Young soldiers, Cadet Battalions, Depots) will be written, and the whole compiled into a work worthy of the Regiment and the city it represents.

On account of the large number of Battalions, it is obviously a very great undertaking and it is essential that it should be ably and accurately carried out. The initial cost will be heavy. To meet this all who have served in the past or are serving now are asked to assist. I shall be glad to receive any contribution from any Manchester man serving in the East, and forward it home to the Committee and I will of course personally acknowledge any such received by me.

Yours etc.

V. B. Fane,
Major-General,
Colonel, Manchester Regt.
Maymya, Burmah.
December 6th, 1920.

HONGKONG POLICE INSPECTOR.

Marriage in Scotland.

The marriage took place in Edinburgh recently of Inspector Robert Macdonald, of the Hongkong Constabulary, and Miss Jessie Macrae, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Angus Macrae Craig Road, Dingwall. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Randal Macdonald, of Dingwall U.F. Church, in the presence of a large company of friends. The bride was given away by her brother, ex-Bailie Macrae, and was attended by Miss Christina Macrae, of Winchburgh Public School, niece, as bridesmaid. Inspector D. Macdonald, of Hongkong, was "best man." After the ceremony the company sat down to luncheon, the minister presiding, when the usual toasts were proposed and honoured, and congratulatory telegrams, including many from abroad, were read. In the afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. Macdonald left for the West of Scotland, where the honeymoon was spent. The young couple had the best wishes of their many friends, who made them the recipients of many handsome and valuable gifts.

HONGKONG FINANCES.

The Hongkong Treasury issues the following financial statement for the month of September 1920:

Balance of Assets and Liabilities on 31st August, 1920,	\$5,023,947.84
Revenue from 1st to 30th September, 1920,	913,772.32
Expenditure from 1st to 30th Sep. 1920,	5,942,720.16
Balance, \$	5,887,125.30

that the power of appointing judges to preside at the Supreme Court be placed in the hands of the Governor. The case against Mr. Ball was increased by his growing erascibility, which on one occasion caused him to censure counsel for some supposed offence that nobody else could see any sign of. In the memorial were also certain strictures upon the Chief Justice himself. As it happened the object of the memorialists was achieved in another way, as the Home authorities had directed the preparation of an Ordinance reconstituting the Courts of the Colony.

The memorial caused Mr. Ball to decide upon resigning without further delay, and so ended a curious and distressing position. The sequel proved that the unfortunate Judge did not resign any too soon viewing the matter from his own interest, as he lived only a little while to enjoy the liberal sum voted him by the Government.

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The Banque Industrielle de Chine beg to inform the holders of the temporary bonds of the Credit National 1919, which have been subscribed through them, that same must be exchanged in their Paris Office for definite bonds before March 1921.

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THE COLONY IN
EARLIER DAYS.XI.—Singular Case of an
Acting Chief Justice.

In the judicial records of the Colony one meets with an incident of an unusual kind in relation to an occupant of the Bench. It is common enough to hear fits and similar seizures in Court, but such episodes are generally associated with over-strung litigants or witnesses.

Mr. H. J. Ball after practising successfully at the Bar was appointed Judge of the Court of Summary Jurisdiction. A curious state of affairs prevailed in relation to the Colony's judiciary at this time, for Mr. Ball was allowed to continue practising at the Bar, and as a matter of fact held the post of acting Attorney-General when the holder of that office, Mr. J. Pauncefoot, went on sick-leave, this being a reciprocal turn, as Mr. Pauncefoot had deputised for Mr. Ball during the latter's leave. However admirable on personal grounds this arrangement might be, it set up an extraordinarily anomalous situation in regard to offices of the most important kind, as Mr. Ball thus acquired the triple character of a member of the Bench, official leader of the Bar and private practitioner of the kind of thing one might look for in Gilbertian opera, but scarcely outside of it.

A CARRIAGE ACCIDENT. There were some who took objection to the plan, both upon constitutional and also upon practical grounds. It was doubtful how far a man could adequately perform all the duties, particularly in the case of Mr. Ball, whose health, already indifferent, had been prejudiced by an accident while out driving with Mrs. Ball. The horses bolted while Mr. Ball was turning the carriage into his own gate, both the Judge and his wife being thrown out and much cut.

Mr. Ball took over the office of acting Attorney-General in September 1871. In January of the following year acting rank of higher degree devolved upon him, as Chief Justice Smale left on six months' sick-leave. Sick-ness seems indeed to have been an epidemic among legal luminaries at this period. Mr. T. C. Haylar took over the duties of

Judge of the Court of Summary Jurisdiction.

Mr. Ball was unhappy in his office of acting Chief Justice. He was late on more than one very important occasion, was inclined to be irascible, even arbitrary, in the seat of justice, and the convulsive seizures that sometimes attacked him on the Bench showed that he was physically incapable of performing the important duties that attached to him. In fact, whether from the multiplicity of offices having overtaxed his system, or from constitutional causes—the acting Chief Justice had experienced attacks previously—aggravated probably by the carriage accident, it was manifest that Mr. Ball was not in a condition to carry out his duties.

THE CLIMAX.

Several complaints were made by the community. Though there was much sympathy for the acting Chief Justice, it was felt that so important an office ought not to be left in his hands. Nevertheless, Mr. Ball showed no signs of resigning.

The climax began on May 21st when a fit necessitated the adjournment of the Court. The Judge resumed before long, but a number of epileptic fits followed. Still Mr. Ball continued to sit on the Bench, and on Christmas Eve attention was again called to the matter by a seizure so violent that he broke into convulsive cries and struggled for some time. Apparently he had a premonition of the attack, having announced that he would not sit after noon. The painful occurrence was naturally commented upon by the Press, but still Mr. Ball continued in office.

A MEMORIAL PRESENTED. The events just narrated have been described as the climax; perhaps it would be more correct to refer to them as the anti-climax. However, the end of an impossible position was now approaching.

Chief Justice Smale had returned, but had allotted several important Supreme Court cases to Mr. Ball. A memorial was presented to the Governor by members of the Legislative Council and of the profession, bankers, merchants and others, including representatives of the American and German communities, asking that an Ordinance be passed providing

CAMERA NEWS



SCENES FROM RUSSIA.

Top picture shows electrical employees in Moscow factory waiting in bread line. Lower picture shows women digging trenches under direction of soldiers.



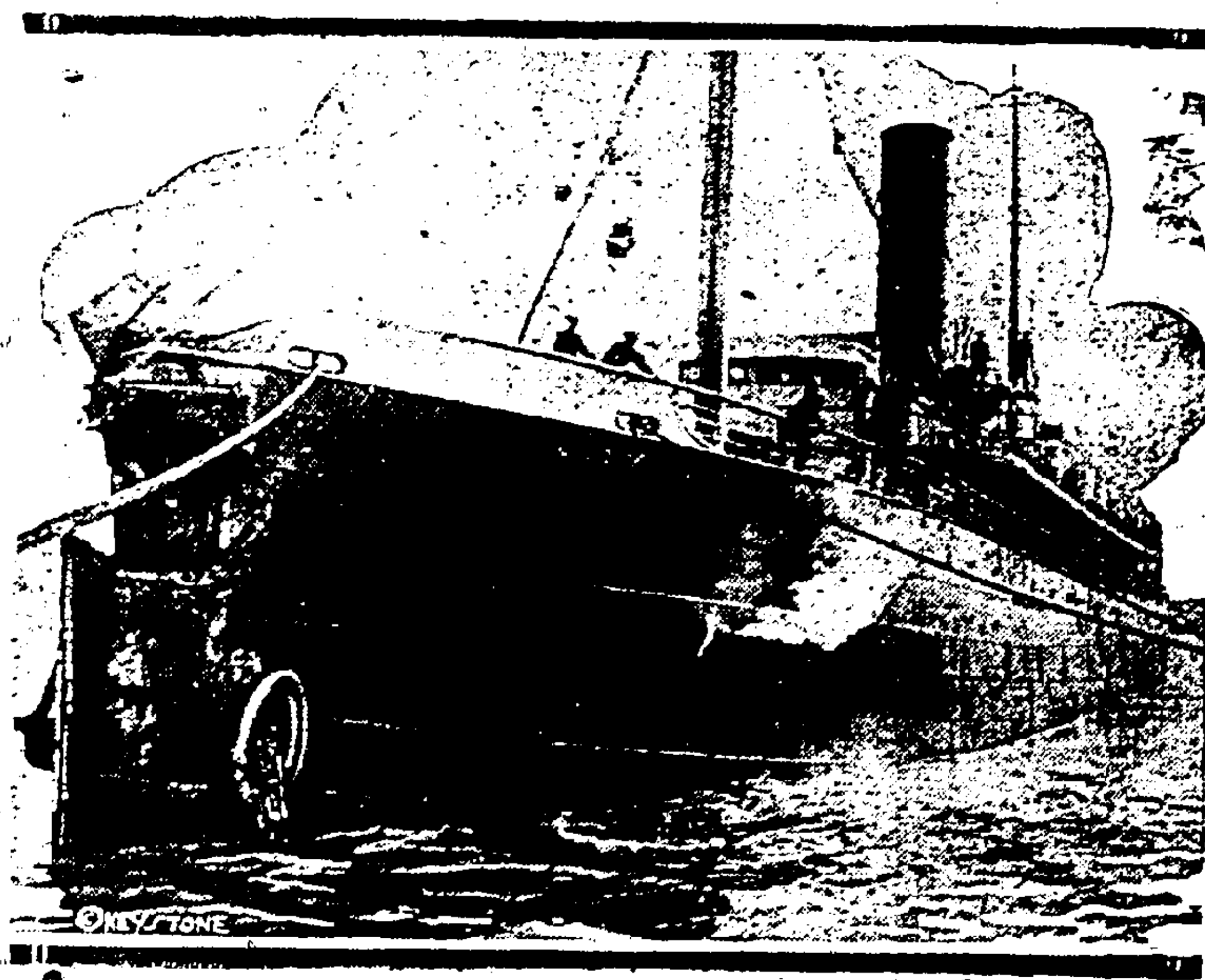
IN ARMENIA.

Top—Armenian refugees fleeing from Turkish massacres. Left—An Armenian child, typical of hundreds that the Turks kidnap for their harems. Right—A Kurd chieftain, leader of one of the bands of savage mountaineers whom the Turks, in their efforts to destroy the Armenian race, incite to massacre. Below—A peace conference map of Armenia.



M. PADEREWSKI.

who, owing to neuritis, will not play again in public.



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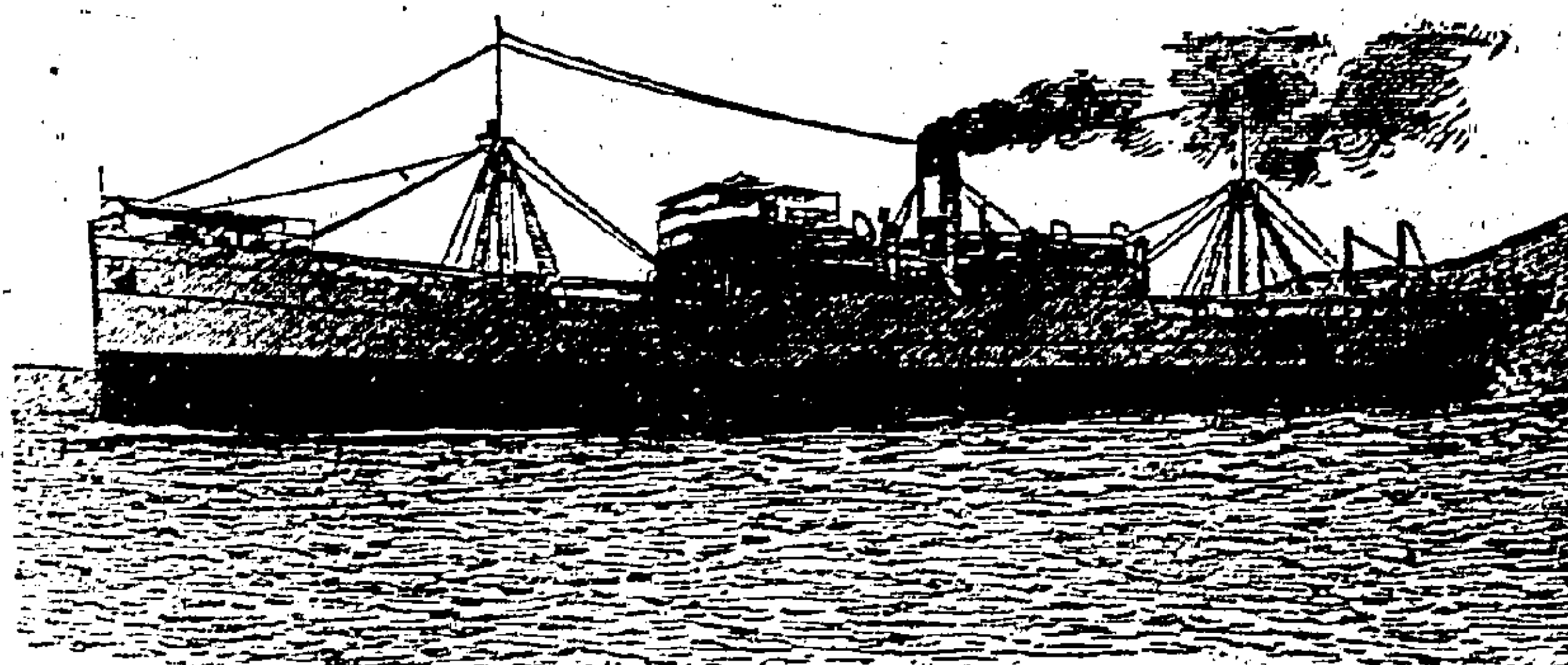
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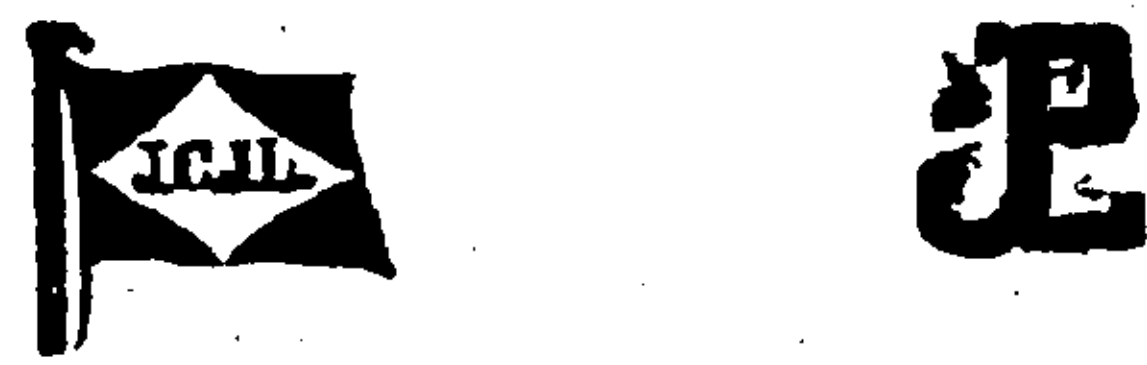
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MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The N.Y.K. s.s. YOKOHAMA M. (European Line) left London, for this port via Suez, on the 27th Nov. and is expected here on the 6th January.

The s.s. MATTAWA, left Vancouver for Hongkong, via Japan ports, Shanghai and Manila, on the 10th December and is due at Yokohama on or about the 4th January.

The s.s. PROTESILAUS (Blue Funnel Line) left Suez on 10th December for Hongkong and is due here on 5th January.

The s.s. SCHODACK left New York for Hongkong via ports Nov. 13th and is expected here Jan. 10th, 1921.

The s.s. ANCHISES, (Blue Funnel Line) left Suez on 13th inst. for Hongkong and is due on 8th January.

The N.Y.K. s.s. SANUKI M. (Calcutta Line) left Calcutta for this port via Singapore on the 18th December and is expected here on the 2nd January.

The s.s. MONTAGUE left Portland, Ore. for Hongkong via ports Nov. 18th and is expected here January 1st 1921.

The s.s. CROSSKEYS left Seattle, Wash., for Hongkong via ports Nov. 18th and is expected here January 1st 1921.

The s.s. SATSUMA left New York for Hongkong via ports Nov. 21st and is expected here January 15th, 1921.

The N.Y.K. s.s. KOTSU M. (Calcutta Line) left Singapore for this port on the 20th Dec. and is expected here on the 2nd January 1921.

The N.Y.K. s.s. TOTOMI M. (Calcutta Line) left Calcutta for this port via Rangoon, Penang & Singapore on the 19th Dec. and is expected here on the 8th January 1921.

The N.Y.K. s.s. NAGANO M. (New York Line) left Kobe for this port on the 20th Dec. and is expected here on the 23rd Dec.

The s.s. LYCAON (Blue Funnel Line) left Suez on 17th inst. for Hongkong and is due here on 15th January 1921.

The R.M.S. EMPRESS OF ASIA, left Vancouver for Hongkong, via Japan ports, Shanghai and Manila, on the 16th Dec. and is due here on or about the 7th January.

The M.V. GLENLUCE, is expected to leave Singapore for Hongkong on the 28th inst. and is due here about the 3rd Jan.

The T.K.K. s.s. TENYO M. arrived at Yokohama on the 20th inst. and sails on the 23rd inst. in accordance with schedule, being due at Hongkong January 5th.

The s.s. EDMORE left Seattle, Wash. for Hongkong via ports Dec. 7th and is expected January 24th 1921.

The s.s. DUQUESNE left New York for Hongkong via ports Dec. 9th and is expected here Feb. 2nd, 1921.

The R.M.S. MONTEAGLE arrived at Yokohama, on 21st December, left there 21st Dec. and is due at Hongkong on 31st December.

The N.Y.K. s.s. YEBOSHI M. (Calcutta Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji on the 22nd December and is expected here on the 29th December.

The N.Y.K. s.s. KUMANO M. (European Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 25th Dec., and is expected here on the 28th December.

The N.Y.K. s.s. CAP FINIS-TERRE left Liverpool for this port via Suez on the 19th Dec. and is expected here on the 28th January.

The s.s. TANDA left Moji for this port on the 24th instant at morning, and is due here on the 28th instant at about noon.

The R.M.S. MONTEAGLE arrived at Kobe on 23rd Dec. 9 a.m., leaves there 24th Dec. 6 a.m. due at Moji on 25th Dec. 6 a.m.

The R.M.S. EMPRESS OF JAPAN arrived at Yokohama on 23rd Dec., leaves there 23rd Dec., due at Hongkong on 31st Dec.

The s.s. DILWARA left Singapore for this port on the 24th instant at 8 a.m. and is due here on the 29th instant at about 6 a.m.

The s.s. BREMEN left Singapore for this port on the 24th instant at 10 a.m. and is due here on the 29th instant at about noon.

